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I AM quite tired with examining the various and contradictory Predictions of thoſe Pretenders to ſcience, the Authors of the common Almanacks. The ſchemes which I have publiſhed for the two laſt months have abundantly ſhewn, that they know nothing at all of Futurity. But at the ſame time I hope I have made it appear, that this defect does not proceed from the ſcience itſelf, but from the ignorance of ſome of its pretended Profeſſors. My own predictions have been exactly fulfilled, as the publick are ſufficiently convinced at preſent. And I beg leave to remind the Reader, that other things have been foretold by me, which have exactly come to paſs. I communicated to Dr. QUIBUS, that the Brains of a learned Phyſician of our Society were in great danger. This made the Doctor, in a letter printed in our 8th Journal, expreſs himſelf in theſe remarkable words. *I cannot help being under the greateſt uneaſineſs, leſt our Author ſhould happen to have his heels tript up, which might ſhove his brain wrong, and ſpoil ſo tow'ring a genius.* Now it is well known that a few days after, this Gentleman had a fall from his horſe, which, I fear, has *ſtruck the ſeat of the common ſenſorium*, to uſe his own words, *aſkew, or parallel to the axis of the ſeveral organs of the ſenſes*; for he has ſince that time much abſented himſelf from our aſſemblies, and has not yet obliged the world with any more of his ingenious productions.

Another very remarkable prediction of mine, was that of the death of our late Laureate. In our 40th Journal, was printed a Poem addreſſed to Mr. DUCK, of which the two laſt ſtanza's run thus;

Thrice happy DUCK! a milder fate
Thy genius does attend;
Well haſt thou threſh'd thy barns and brains
To make a Queen thy friend.

O! may ſhe ſtill new favours grant,
And make the Laurel thine!
Then ſhall we ſee next New-year's Ode
By far the laſt outſhine.

The common News-writers, miſunderſtanding this prediction, roundly aſſerted that Mr. EUSDEN was dead, tho' he lived ſome weeks after the publication of that Poem.

I have, notwithſtanding this, once more given a ſcheme of predictions, that no room may be left for altercation. For their blunders will be full as manifeſt this month, as in either of the former. For the future I think to communicate only my own obſervations, which I ſhall diſpoſe in ſuch a manner, as to be of more uſe than any Almanack whatſoever. And, I dare ſay, that none of theſe fellows will preſume to impoſe any more upon the world with their ſham predictions, and believe ſome will even leave off publiſhing any Almanacks at all.

March	*Gadbury*	*Partridge*	*Andrews*	*Coley*	*Lane*	*Pearſe*	*Saunders*	*T. Wing*	*Moore*	*Swallow*	*Culpepp.*	*Fly*	*Perkins*	*Trigge*	*Weaver*	*Cambridge*	*V. Wing*	*Bikerſtaff*
1					Cold		High winds,		Now wea-	Cloudy		Dark		Winds	Now			Fine ſerene
2	Rain or	Cold and			winds, and		with plenty	Cloudy	ther's cold, &	& fair.	Cloudy	clouds fly		& clou-	expect	Windy	Windy	weather, &
3	ſnow a-				dark		of ſnow or	& cold.	wind doth		& cold.	about all		dy.	froſt &	and cold.	and fair.	warm for
4	bout			The air	weather.	Dark	cold rain at		blow,			the firſt			ſnow,			the ſeaſon.
5	this	Snow-like	Moiſt	is now		cloudy	the begin-		unwelcome			part, or	Sharp		attend-			Mild ſhow.
6	time.	weather,	fleety	moiſt and		weather	ning; then		ſtorms of rain			beginning	& froſty		ed with			Briſk winds.
7			weather.	fleety,			follow ſome	Windy	or ſnow.			of the	weath.		turbu-	Cloudy	Cloudy	
8	Stormy		Cold and	with high		Stormy	calm & plea-	with		Rough		month,			lent	and fair.	and cold.	
9			cloudy	winds and		air.	ſant days, alſo	ſome	Cloudy very	winds.	Windy	with ſtore		Winds	cold			
10	weather	with now	black	ſtorms.	Winds		ſome briſk	ſhowers	wet's the		and	of rain.		& ſtor-	winds.			
11	about	and then	winds.	Cold and	with		froſts, mild		weather;		fair.		High	my.		Wind, rain	Wet and	
12	the full	ruffling	Still bluſt-	cloudy,	rain or	Mild	and pleaſant.			Rain &	Rain		winds			& ſtormy.	windy.	Fair and
13	of the	winds is	ering	with bluſt-	fleet,		The Full-	More	And this for	ſtormy.	and		& ſtor-	Cloudy				warm.
14	Moon.	expected.	weather.	ering		weather	Moon pro-	rain a-	ſeveral days		ſtormy.		my	& fair.				Flying
15		A hand-		ſtorms.			duces ſtorms,	bout	together.				weath.					clouds.
16	Froſty	ful of				Flying	tempeſtuous	this		Fair		Fair and	& con-					
17	weather	March			followed	clouds,	wea. follow'd	time.	The air clears	weath.		pleaſant	tinues					
18	but ſoon	duſt would	Snow and		with fair		with ſharp		up, and birds	for ſome	Cold	now, for-	rough		Right	Gentle	Fair and	Stormy and
19	turns to	now be			ſeaſonable	and	froſts; then	Fair &	now ſing	days.	winds,	warding	and tur-		March	winds and	ſeaſonable	cold.
20	rain or	worth a	froſty air.	Snow and	weather.	ſome	ſome warm	warm	A welcome	Fair &	and un-	the ſpring,	bulent.		weather	fair.	weather.	Cold rain.
21	ſleet,	King's		froſty air,			days, & conti-	for ſome	to the new-	good	conſtant	and is like-						
22	which	ranſom.	Turbulent	intermixt		rain.	nues mild &	days.	born ſpring.	wea-	weath.	ly to hold			now			Rough
23			cold winds	with			pleaſant till	Tempe-		ther.	High	for ſeveral	Cold	Haſty			Some	winds.
24	conti-		producing	wind.	Wind	Wet	the 24 or 25	rate &			winds.	days; how	rain or	ſhow-	about,	Mild and	ſhowers	
25	nues		rain.				day, when we	fair.	Now winter	Show-		ever, be-	ſnow.	ers.	but at	favoura-	about this	
26				Turbulent		ſlabby	may expect	Rain	like ſhowers	ers.		fore the			the end	ble.	time.	
27	to the			cold and		weather	plenty of	and			Cloudy	month			more			
28		Stormy at		froſty.	and rain.		ſnow, or cold	ſtormy.		Cloudy,	with	ends ex-	Windy,		mild			Fine ſerene
29	Months	the end.	Unſettled	Rain at	Uncertain		air; at the	Cloudy	Upon the	windy,	rain or	pect cold	cold &			Rain now		weather to
30			weather.	the end of	weather		end mild an	fair and	earth pours.	rain	ſnow.	winds	harſh to		& plea-	abouts.	Rough	the end of
31	end.			this month	to the end.	Cloudy	temperate.	warm.		like.		with froſts.	the end.	Over- caſt.	ſant.		winds.	the month.

POLITICAL PREDICTIONS.

GADBURY.

THIS month firſt Mercury and then Venus oppoſes Jupiter. There is ſomething more than ordinary upon the anvil, either a deſign againſt ſome of the reverend Clergy, or ſome ſeditious animoſity between them and the Laity: but time muſt diſcover the event.

PARTRIDGE.

Jupiter is ſtill retrograde, and oppos'd by that fly knave Mercury, there wants not malicious perſons, who near this time, divulge the ſecrets they were intruſted with. A Lady of great note ſeems to end her days in, or near this time, and occaſions great lamentations for her departure. The highways in England, and other parts of the world, much infeſted with thieves, and our ſtreets with robbers, in defiance of our wholeſome laws.

ANDREWS.

On the 4th day is a Conjunction of the Sun and Saturn in 24 deg. of Piſces, and on the 25th a Conjunction of Saturn and Mercury in 27 deg. of the ſame ſign; Jupiter is in the beginning of Virgo, in oppoſition of Mercury on the 7th day, in trine with Mars the 21ſt day, and in oppoſition to Venus the 25th day; Mars paſſeth out of Aries into Taurus, and Venus out of Aquaries into Piſces, and Mercury out of Aquaries into Piſces on the 7th day, and out of Piſces into Aries on the 28th day. The Planets being all direct in motion all this month, except Jupiter. A great and worthy Hero is now highly advanced in the favour of his Prince.

COLEY.

Much news arrive from abroad, tending to the advantage of the publick intereſt, and the active endeavours of thoſe worthy and honourable perſons, that really have the glory and proſperity of their native country at heart, are now crowned with the deſired ſucceſs. A great and worthy Hero is now highly in the favour of his Prince, the affairs of trade now look with a good face, and our merchants appear full of good humour and ſatisfaction.

MOORE.

Reports arrive from foreign parts, which in the general are very good, and tending to the advantage of the publick.

The active endeavours of ſuch worthy and prudent perſons that really have the glory and proſperity of their native Country at heart, are now crown'd with good ſucceſs.

Much news arrives now from ſeveral parts of Europe, and Great Britain, and her glorious Monarch are now mightily courted by divers foreign Princes.

We have yet no other grounds but to conjecture that the general affairs of moſt Princes in Europe tend to unity and concord.

WEAVER.

New diviſions amongſt Grandees; a great deſign fruſtrated, and one of noble blood meets affliction and diſappointment.

BICKERSTAFF.

The Conjunction of ☉ and ♄ on the 4th ſhews, that ſome dark, underhand counſels will about that time be brought to light. The oppoſition of ♃ and ☿ on the 9th ſignifies, that ſome fly knave is engaged in crafty deſigns againſt his Prince, which will go near to involve him in a war, as appears from the trine of ♃ and ♂ on the 22d. The conjunction of ♄ and ☿ on the 26th ſhews the cunning deſigns of ſome ſeditious Malecontents: and perhaps a plot is formed about that time in ſome part of Europe. And laſt the oppoſition of ♃ and ☿ on the 27th foretells, that ſome Lady will greatly obſtruct the meaſures of one of her neighbouring Princes.

LONDON.

C. *Courant.*
P. *Post-Boy.*
D P. *Daily Post.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
E P. *Evening Post.*
S J. *S. James's Evening Post.*
WE. *Whitehall Evening P.*
L E. *London Evening Post.*
C. *Crafts-man.*
F. *Fog's Journal.*

THURSDAY, *Feb.* 25.

On monday morning Mr. Bumstead was married at Rumford to Miss Eyles, daughter of Sir John Eyles. *C. D P.* On tuesday James Bumstead, Esq; *P.* —— The beginning of this week Will. Freman, Esq; son of Ralph Freman, Esq; was married to Miss Blunt. *P.* Freeman. *E P.* —— Yesterday Sir James Wood, Bar. &c. was married at Deptford to Miss Jones, only child of Mr. Edw. Jones, Master of the Royal Vineyard in S. James's Park. *D P.*

The Marq. of Lothian was on the 19th unanimously elected one of the 16 Peers of Scotland. *Ibid.* —— David Dunbar, Esq; Surveyor Gen. of his Majesty's woods in New England, is appointed Lieut. Governor of New Hampshire. *D J.* —— Saturday last the Rev. Dr. Ben. Andrews was sworn in Chaplain in ordinary to his Majesty. *P.*

Sunday last died, at his seat at Tredegar, Sir Will. Morgan, Knight of the Bath, &c. *Ibid.* Others say, that he lies very ill at the Hot Well at Bristol, and some accounts that he is on the mending hand: all that is certain, is, that the L. Noell, and Mr. Milborne, a Gent. of a good estate in Monmouthshire, are talked of as Candidates for the Shire, in case he dies. *L E.*

There is to be a Lottery for the service of the current year.—Orders have been sent to all the Commanders of his Majesty's ships of war in the West-Indies, to repel by force, and make reprizals on such of the Spanish Guard de Costa's, as shall insult the merchant ships of Great Britain. *Ibid.* —— *To be insulted by open Enemies is no more than is to be expected; but when done by* Friends and Allies, *it is insupportable.*

On saturday Watkins Williams Wynne, Esq; Knight of the shire for Denbigh, who has had the Small-pox, arrived in town in good health. *P.*

Yesterday 3 men were committed to Newgate on suspicion of being concerned in the felony committed in Octob. 1728, in the house of Mr. Nichols in Smith-street, Westminster, when the thieves carried off money, plate, and linnen, to the value of 300 l. several pieces of the said plate were found upon the 3 persons committed. *D P.*

FRIDAY, *Feb.* 26.

Last tuesday at the sittings at Guildhall was debated the affair between the informing Constables and a Gentleman, very much injured by them in Shoe-lane some time since; the indictment was quashed, on the discovery of an error, in putting *Maio proximo* for *Maio præterito*; so that by the ignorance or knavery of some Professors of the law, we evidently see the commendableness of the zeal shewed lately by the County of York, in applying to the Parliament for their authority to english the Laws, and doubt not the wisdom of that assembly will give a remedy proper to a disease grown to such a height. The Prosecutor, after above 200 l. expence, resolves to carry on the cause, and do himself justice as soon as possible. *D P.* —*The* englishing of the Laws will not be a remedy proper to the disease, *unless all the* Professors of the law *be for the future obliged to understand* English.

Yesterday the following Gentlemen were chosen Governers of Bridewell and Bedlam; Will. Gore, Esq; Ormond-street; John Ratcliffe Smith, Esq; Gray's-Inn; Sam. Clarke, Esq; Cook's-court; Mr. Rob. Glynn, Hatton-garden; Mr. Christ. Oliver, S. Martin's-lane; Tho. Gape, Esq; S. Albans; Mr. Edw. Chowne, Foster-lane; Deputy James Pitt, Thames-street; Sir Hen. Hoo Keat, Bar. Queen's-square; Mr. Ric. Bridgman, Aldgate; Mr. Will. Sheldon, Gracechurch-street; Oliver Martin, Esq; Warwick-court, Mr. Tho. Russel, Took's-court. *P.* —— The same day several criminals received a correction more gentle than they deserved; and others were discharged for want of evidence; it being a common practice for a set of hired Constables to procure their commitments to goal, for being night-walkers, &c. tho' for good reasons, they never after appear against them; an enormity that deserves well the inspection of the Government of this City *D P.*

Tho. Abney, Esq; was, by the Justices of the Peace at their Gen. Sessions at Hick's-hall, chosen Chairman in the room of Will. Cowper, Esq; who had filled the place the usual time with great honour. *Ibid. C.* — Last night the Sessions ended at the Old Bailey, when the 4 following convicts received sentence of death, viz. John Chappel, for the murder of Mary Martin in Hoxton-fields; George Wheat, alias White, alias Whych, John Andrews and Will. Williams for felonies. *C. D P.* —— 2 women were burnt in the hand, one for manslaughter and the other for having 2 husbands. *D J.* —— *It is add, that the same punishment should be inflicted for* killing *one* man, *as for* kissing two.

Yesterday was held the annual Feast of the Sons of the Clergy, at which the collection for charitable uses amounted to 476 l. *Ibid.* Upwards of 500 l. so that the whole collection yesterday, and at the rehearsal on tuesday, amounts to upwards of 700 l.

SATURDAY, *Feb.* 27.

	l.	s.	d.
Collected at the rehearsal ——	203	9	7
At the Choir on the day of the feast —	34	16	6
At the Hall —— —	480	5	3
D P.	718	11	4
The particulars in the P. *stand thus;*			
Collected upon tuesday at the rehearsal, &c.--	203	0	7
Collected at S. Paul's on thursday, &c. —	34	16	6
Collected at Merchant-Taylor's Hall ——	480	15	9
	718	12	10

The R. H the Marq. of Blandford honoured the Corporation with his company, and gave 10 guineas. *D P.* At the door. *C.* —— Of the sum collected at the Hall there was a bank note of 30 l. sent by an unknown hand; and in return for so excellent a charity, the Stewards give their humble thanks. *P.*

Saturday last died at his seat in Hampshire, Sir Rob. Smith, Bar. &c. *D P. E P. S J. W E.* —— We are assured that the report of the death of Sir Rob. Smith, one of the Verderers of the New forest, is entirely groundless, and that the election in the room of Sir Tho. Hobby is fixed for May 10. *D J.* Mar. 1. —— We hear that a treaty of marriage is on foot between Sir Rob. Smith and the Lady Louisa Hervey, 2d daughter to the E. of Bristol. *W E.*

Last thursday died Sir Herb. Perrot Pakington, Bar. Knight of the Shire for the County of Worcester. *D J.* Last tuesday. *E P.* Sir Herbert is in a fair way of recovery. *L E.*

Wednesday night 2 men and a woman were apprehended in S. Paul's Church-yard, for singing a seditious song call'd, *I am Ormond the Great*, &c. and carried to Woodstreet Compter, &c. *P.* Were by Sir Will. Billers sent as Vagrants to be kept to hard labour for 30 days. *C.* —— *I would advise the* Ballad-singers *to* sing *only the* Black Joak, *and some other such pious Songs.*

The Lottery for the current year is to be for 800,000 l. *S J. L E.*

They write from Newcastle, that the Colliers still continue in great bodies, and are resolved not to work a coal, till the corfe or basket is reduced to its primary size. It holds now (by the report of the maker) 5 pecks more, besides several stone weight of iron, which before were wood, and answered much better for the poor slaves, who then perhaps might sometimes get 4 or 5 d. per day, but now the baskets are hardly to be drawn by horses. *E P. L E.*

MONDAY, *March* 1.

Yesterday the Rev. Dr. Crow preached before their Majesties, &c. in the Chapel-Royal at S. James's; and the Rev. Dr. Jones before his Royal Highness the Duke, &c. *C.* --- The R. H. Sir Rob. Walpole has honoured Mr. Whiston as a subscriber to his 14 lectures on Astronomy and sacred Architecture. *P.*

His Majesty has been pleased to sign a Commission constituting Tho. Paget, Esq; Groom of his bed-chamber, to be Lieut. Col. to the second Troop of Grenadier Guards, in the room of Col. Cope. *D P.* —— John Lade of the Borough of Southwark, Esq; will, we hear, shortly be created a Baronet of this kingdom, and that this dignity will descend to his nephew's son, a youth of about 8 years of age. *D J.* —— *His only* nephew *died unmarried, and this* youth is the son *of one of his* nieces.

Saturday last ended the great Cause at Westminster [in the House of Lords] between the R. H. L. Visc. Fauconberg and his Lady, Appellants, and Ric. Fitzgerald, Esq; and others, Respondents, when their Lordships affirmed the decree of the L. High Chancellor, in favour of Mr Fitzgerald. *D P.*

The account in the Prints from Holland, of a Ship belonging to the South-Sea Company being lost near Porto Bello, must, no doubt, have proceeded from a report of their Snow the Assiento having been lost near that place; but of the said Snow's welfare we gave an account a few days since. *D J.*

Friday night died of a dropsy, in the 64th year of his age, Mr. Francis Bird, the most famous Statuary that this nation ever bred, as the many lofty tombs, and [to avoid tautology] magnificent monuments in Westminster-Abbey, &c. plainly testify. He travelled twice to Rome, and several other parts of Italy, to gain experience, and had obtained a very handsome estate by his profession. *P.*

TUESDAY, *March* 2.

Yesterday being the Anniversary of her Majesty's birth-day, when she entered into the 49 h year of her age, there was the greatest appearance of the Nobility, &c. at Court, as has been known for several years, &c. *P.* —— *By comparing this with the accounts of the* C. *and* D J. *I imagine it should be read* as great an appearance, &c.

The same day the R. H. Sir Rob. Walpole gave a most magnificent entertainment to a great number of the Nobility, &c. at his house in Arlington-street. *D P.* —— The same day the Speaker of the House of Commons gave a fine entertainment, &c. —— The same day the Society of Ancient Britons met at Covent-garden Church, where an excellent Sermon [as usual] was preached by the Rev. Mr. Williams, in the ancient language; afterwards they proceeded, in a regular manner, to Leather-sellers Hall, where a fine entertainment was provided, &c. —— The Rev. Mr. Lewis preached a Sermon [an excellent one likewise] at Haberdashers Hall, before a great Congregation of Ancient Britons, of the Dissenting persuasion; afterwards they joined the other Body, and dined with them. *C.* —— By Letters of yesterday's Post it is confirmed, that Sir Wil. Morgan of Tredegar was much better, and had ordered great preparations for celebrating her Majesty's birth-day. *D P.*

Yesterday a Court of L. Mayor, &c. was held, when the Committee appointed to inspect into the affairs of the charitable Corporation made their report; and was ordered to draw up a Petition to the Parliament against the said Corporation. *C.* —— Last saturday ended the General Sessions at Hicks's-Hall. *D P.*

We hear from the Theatre-Royal in Drury-lane, that there is now in rehearsal, and to be performed tuesday March 16. a new Scots Opera, called the Highland Fair, or Union of the Clans, &c. There is also in rehearsal a new Tragedy, which will be performed in Easter week. *Ib.*

Norwich, Feb. 27. On tuesday one John Gerrard, a poor labouring man of Barney was brought prisoner to our Castle for the murder of 2 of his children, one an infant in arms, and the other a boy about 5: after he had murdered them, he carried them on his back to Barney Church-yard, and there laid them between 2 graves: he appears to be a Lunatick. *P.*

Her Majesty was finely dress'd [on her birth-day] and wore a flower'd muslin Head with an edging, as did her Royal Highness; which has occasion'd a talk, that muslins will come into fashion. It is reckon'd the Court was never finer. The L. Portmore was reckon'd the richest dress'd of any at Court, having a gold stuff coat, &c. tho' an Italian Count was dress'd very fine, and had 24 diamonds on his coat instead of buttons. *L E.*

Last night, at the late L. Cadogan's house, which has for some time been empty, there was a Ball and a handsome entertainment provided by 20 Welch Gentlemen, for as many of their Country-women; but one of the Gentlemen turning his partner too near the top of the Stairs, he lost hold of her and fell down stairs, and broke his leg. 'Twas pretty remarkable, that the Musick consisting of 3 Harpers had among them only as many eyes. *S J.*

This day was finished the Stair-Case at the R. H. the E. of Tankerville's house in S. James's Square, a most exquisite piece of Painting by Signor Amaconi, a Venetian Master. The History is the discovery of Achilles; the preservation of Telemachus; with the prophecy of the blind Teresias [Tiresias.] *S J. L E.*

Yesterday died Rob. Corker, Esq; Member of Parliament for Bossiney in the County of Cornwall. *L E.* Auditor to the Prince, for the Dutchy of Cornwall. *D J. Mar.* 3.

WEDNESDAY, *March* 3.

Several Commanders and Mariners belonging to Merchant Ships of Bristol, that were taken by the Spanish Guard de Costa's, are come to Town from that City, to give an account of the cruel and barbarous treatment they met with from the Spaniards. *D P.*

Yesterday 3 men were committed to Tothill-fields Bridewell, to hard labour, by Justice Lambert, for raising a Mob about the house of Sir Rob. Walpole in Arlington-street, and insulting Mr. Jenkins, his Steward, and giving him very opprobrious language. *Ibid.*

We hear there is a new Comedy now in rehearsal at the new Theatre in the Haymarket, called, Lupone, or, The Inquisitor, which will be acted there some time next week, and is judged to be an entertaining and humorous piece, and indeed not unseasonable, considering the many tragical performances which have been represented this season. *Ibid.* —— *This may prove a* fad, *tho' not a* tragical, performance.

Saturday died Ric. Mytton, Esq; at his seat at Halston in Shropshire. By his decease an estate of 3000 l. per ann. descends to Mr. John Mytton, an eminent Portugal Merchant of this City. *Ibid. C.* —— We are credibly informed, that the fine Seat of the D. of Beaufort, call'd Badmington, in Gloucestershire, is burnt. *D J.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-Street.*

We are inform'd that Henry Ashton, Esq; one of the present Directors of the South-Sea Company (who has been reported to be dead) is recover'd from his long and dangerous illness, he has lately lain under, at his house at Clapton in Hackney.

Gentlemen, 26 *Feb* 1730.

I have hitherto read your weekly labours with plea-

ſure: but give me leave to ſay, your Hottentot performance was ſuch a nauſeous piece of ſtupidity, that, if you don't ſpeedily retrieve your honour, I ſhall wiſh ſome of you to be the happy Bridegrooms at the Cape of Good Hope; and can't now forbear expreſſing my female indignation, by preſenting you with the following lines, as my preſent ſentiments of your ſinking Society, which, if you dare, you may print in your next.

Yours, BELINDA.

Long have I thought your Club to be
A batchelor Society;
A ſett of lively brilliant Wits:
But now 'tis plain, you're marry'd Cits.
Your ſprightly joys ſeem paſt the full;
Juſt on the point of growing dull.
You have your ſelves ſo much be-piſs'd,
From off the ſtage you'll ſoon be hiſs'd;
Or may I ne'er by man be kiſs'd.

This Letter having been read, and ſome debate paſſed upon it, Mr. BAVIUS, by order of the Society, drew up their ſentiments in the following manner. 'That they wonder-'ed ſo curious a Diſſertation, ſupported by ſuch full and 'faithful [tho' perhaps ſtupid] quotations, ſhould give any 'offence to ſo ingenious a Lady; eſpecially ſince the fair '*Hottentots* were not repreſented there, as guilty of any 'indecent action towards the men, but in a modeſt, paſſive 'manner, agreeable to the natural ſhamefacedneſs, and 'ſubjection of their ſex, ſubmitting in a decent poſture to 'the ceremony of being *piſſed upon*, as an emblematical 'introduction into the honourable ſtate of matrimony. 'That this very Diſſertation, at which this nice Lady was 'diſguſted, had been ſo well reliſhed by the Town, as to 'occaſion the printing of an additional number of the '*Journal*, in which it appeared. That however, from 'the laſt line of her verſes, we have reaſon to hope, that 'ſhe is not altogether irreconcileable, either to our Mem-'bers, or to the ceremony itſelf, provided it were to be at-'tended with the ſame conſequents as among the Hotten-'tots. That in this ſhe has a great example to keep her 'in countenance, the beautiful, ingenious, and modeſt Mrs. 'ELIZA HAYWOOD, who was pleaſed, a few years ſince, 'to yield herſelf up a glorious prize to the vigorous Mr. 'CURL, upon his out-piſſing his Brother CHAPMAN: 'which whole Affair is admirably deſcribed in the beau-'tiful Epiſode of the *Game of Piſſing*, in the ſecond Book 'of the *Dunciad*.

On a Beautiful Lady who was Blind.

Tho' beauteous *Mira* heaven deprives of ſight,
To view thoſe charms, which give the world delight;
Let not her heart, oppreſs'd with grief, complain:
Had ſhe beheld her form, ſhe had been vain.
One ſenſe in pure compaſſion heaven denies;
And to ſecure her virtue, dims her eyes.

Old Aberdeen, Feb. 12. On tueſday laſt was acted the celebrated Tragedy of Cato, by ſome young Gentlemen of King's College, for the entertainment of his Grace the D. of Gordon, who, together with his Brother L. Charles, and as great a concourſe of Gentlemen and Ladies as has been known here for many years, univerſally agreed, that the performance was nothing inferior to the dignity of the ſubject. *C. P.* 2.

Dublin, Feb. 19. Letters Patent have paſſed the Great Seal conſtituting Will. Veſey, Eſq; one of the Maſters in his Majeſty's High Court of Chancery. Letters Patent are paſſing the Great Seal, containing his Majeſty's grant, to John Richardſon, Clerk, of the dignity of Dean of his Majeſty's Cathedral Church of Kilmachduah, alias Duach, alias S. Coleman. *C.*

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Feb.* 25.

An account of the riſe and progreſs of printing at Conſtantinople, *Dec.* 16. N. S. The Grand Vizier Ibrahim Baſhaw, a man of ſingular merit, formed a deſign to introduce the learned arts and ſciences among the Muſſelmen. In purſuance of this noble deſign, he cauſed a printing-houſe to be erected, under the direction of the learned Ibrahim Effendi, a native of Hungary, who being maſter of the Latin and Hungarian tongues, ſtudied the Turkiſh, Perſian, and Arabick for 40 years. This celebrated Linguiſt took that great work upon himſelf, making uſe of one Jonas a Jew; and having furniſhed himſelf with ſeveral Fonts of Turkiſh Types, to the number of 200,000, he began to print the following books. — 1. *A Turkiſh and Arabick Vocabulary*, price 30 Piaſters. 2. The *Diſcretion*, or *Preſent of the Great*. This book treats of the military atchievements of the Turks in the Mediterranean, and other ſeas: 3 Piaſters. 3. *The Hiſtory of Perſia*, by Father Kruſinski, of the Society of Jeſus, tranſlated into Turkiſh by Ibrahim Effendi: 3 Piaſters. 4. *The Hiſtory of Eaſt-India*. This work treats firſt of the ſentiments of the Ancients, concerning the terreſtrial globe, and relates the opinion of the Moderns upon that ſubject: 2dly, of the diſcovery of America by the Spaniards, and what they did there the 1ſt 50 years. The Author of this book ſays, he took it from the Latin Hiſtory of Weſt America. It is adorned with copper cuts, repreſenting ſeveral ſorts of wild beaſts: 3 Piaſters. 5. *The Hiſtory of Tamerlane*, tranſlated into Turkiſh from the Arabick: 3 piaſters. 6. *The Hiſtory of the antiquities of Ægypt*, with an account of what has paſſed there of later years. This book treats of thoſe that reigned in Ægypt before and after the flood, till it was maſtered by the Turks; and among the reſt, it gives an account how Sultan Selim, Emperor of the Turks, conquered that kingdom: 3 Piaſters. 7. *The Caliph's Roſary*, which treats of the riſe and progreſs of Babylon, and of thoſe who reigned there, from the 127th year of the Hegira, when the firſt Caliph of the Abaſſyns began to reign, to the year of Hegira 1130, when Sultan Achmet, the 115th Emperor of the Turks, was actually upon the throne. Containing a brief account of the moſt remarkable paſſages, for the ſpace of 1003 years: 6 Piaſters. *C.*

Yeſterday arrived the Mails from Flanders.

Hanover, Feb. 23. We hope to ſee his Britannick Majeſty, our Sovereign, about the middle of May next, the Purveyor of the Court having already received poſitive orders to lay up in time a good proviſion of forrage. *D P.*

FRIDAY, *Feb.* 26.

Extract of the Declaration delivered at Paris, Jan. 28. *by the Marq. de Caſtellar, in the name of the K. of Spain, to the Miniſters of their Britannick and moſt Chriſtian Majeſties, and of the States General.* — 'That he the 'the Ambaſſador had, by a Memorial dated Octob. 30. laſt 'communicated to thoſe Miniſters the laſt reſolution of 'his Catholick Majeſty ſince which, he has continued 'the moſt preſſing inſtances to obtain a final determina-'tion of the Allies; but all to no purpoſe; and all that 'the Ambaſſador has got (to his great aſtoniſhment, and 'that of all Europe) is, to be witneſs of the new di-'ficulties ariſing from the indefinite anſwers given to his 'Memorial, and from the little conformity there is ob-'ſerved between the Miniſters, in the repeated Confe-'rences; ſome of them eluding the true ſenſe of the 'Treaty of Seville by ſtrained conſtructions; ſo that the 'total repugnance of the Allies to enter into the promiſed 'enterprize for the execution of the Treaty, and eſpecially 'of the 6th ſecret article, does moſt plainly appear. For 'theſe, and many other ſubſtantial reaſons, he does for-'mally proteſt, in the name of the King his maſter, to 'the ſaid Miniſters, that in regard the obligation of the 'contracting Princes in the Treaty of Seville, is mutual 'and reciprocal; the execution of it inſeparable, in all its 'parts; and it has already appeared, that the due obſer-'vation thereof remains entirely eluded and fruſtrated; be-'ſides other vehement tokens which ſtir up a new and 'well-grounded diſtruſt of ſome one of the confederated 'Powers; his Catholick Majeſty declares himſelf, from 'this time forward, entirely free from all the engage-'ments entered into on his part, and in the ſame Treaty, 'with the confederated Powers; and remains at full liberty 'to take ſuch meaſures as he ſhall judge moſt conducive 'to his royal intereſts. In conſequence whereof the Am-'baſſador farther declares, that he does from henceforward 'withdraw from the negotiation upon the carpet; and 'that he will wait to receive the farther orders, which 'the Catholick King his maſter ſhall deign to give him. *P. Feb.* 25, 26. *E P. L E.*

Paris, Feb. 24. The Marq. de Caſtellar has made ſome private viſits to the Cardinal; and after he had taken leave at one of them, his mouth appear'd extended in the nature of a broad ſmile, which was immediately carried to a certain Ambaſſador, from whom a Courier was ſent to..... with a full deſcription of it. Our Miniſters have alſo been ſurprized in their turn; for they received letters yeſterday from Vienna, with the news that Count Sinzendorff gave a great feaſt there the 7th inſt. in which he drank publickly *To the proſperity of the King of England*, and *the States General*; and the ſame night Couriers were diſpatched to the 2 Courts, by which it is judged, that a Treaty had been ſigned the ſame day between the ſaid Powers. *P.*

Yeſterday arrived the Mail due from France.

Paris, March 3. They write from Monaco, that Anth. Grimaldi, Prince of Monaco, Duke of Valentinois, &c. died the 20th paſt, in the 71ſt year of his age. He was ſon to Lewis Grimaldi, Prince of Monaco. He married June 12, 1688, Mary, Daughter to Lewis of Lorrain; and has left iſſue by her, the Dutcheſs of Valentinois, and the Princeſs of Iſenghien. *P. C.*

Vienna, Feb. 17. Wedneſday laſt Card. Grimaldi, the Pope's Nuncio, had audience of leave. *D P.*

SATURDAY, *Feb.* 27.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Vienna, Feb. 2.. The D. of Liria ſtays here till the return of a Courier from Spain. 'Tis believed that the new plan of accommodation is more owing to other Powers than to any propoſals made by his Excellency on the part of Spain. Mean while the Imperial Court has ſuſpended the march of Troops, and other warlike preparations, waiting the iſſue of it. *D P.*

MONDAY, *March* 2.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail due from France.

Paris, Mar. 5. The Pope has ſent orders to the Legate of Bologna, to repair forthwith to the Dutchies of Parma and Placentia, to take poſſeſſion of thoſe States in the name of his Holineſs; and in caſe of oppoſition, to make his proteſt, and retire. *D P. D J.* —— *Mar.* 7. The price of the Actions follows the courſe of the Lottery, and is now at 1485 livres. We are informed, that Card. Polignac is continued in the employ of Miniſter from his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty to the Court of Rome. *D J.*

TUESDAY, *March* 2.

Hague, March 6. N. S. There is much more money in the Country than people know where to place out: ſo that it is certain, were their High Mightineſſes to ſettle funds for the payment of intereſt for 50 millions at 2½ per Cent. it would be raiſed in leſs than a week. —— The Marquis de Fenelon received orders by the laſt poſt, to be a ſilent ſpectator of what paſſes here, and to keep a watchful eye upon the Engliſh and Imperial Miniſters with thoſe of this State; which he punctually performs, having left off conferring with the E. of Cheſterfield, and the Miniſters of the Republick. —— The Courier from Vienna is expected every moment; and it is confirmed, that the Crown of England is likely to mediate between the Emperor and Spain, to the great mortification of France. *P.*

Extract of a private Letter from Seville. — The Queen has received a Letter from the Dutcheſs of Parma, Firſt Dowager, her Majeſty's mother; from the contents of which ſome people infer, that the young Dowager's great belly is only a feint. —— The Duke's unexpected demiſe has filled this Court with ſorrow for the delay of the Expedition, &c. ſince it cannot be ſuppoſed, but the Emperor, conſidering himſelf as Maſter of this laſt Dutchy, will make his own terms before he gives it up; whereas had the Spaniards been in garriſon there, as by the Treaty of Seville they were to have been, they might have been able to keep the Imperialiſts at a diſtance. So that all we have now to expect is, that if the Great Duke ſhould happen to drop, his Imperial Majeſty will declare off of the Quadruple Alliance, as the Catholick King has done by that of Seville. *Ibid.*

Extract of a private letter from Vienna. All the converſation here turns upon the near view of an Alliance between the Emperor, England and Holland; and they ſay it is owing in ſome meaſure to the conſpiracy at Luxemburg, and the Declaration made by the Marq. de Fenelon at the Hague toward the cloſe of the laſt year. It is even reported, that the Emperor has by him an order ſigned by a very great Perſonage for the execution of the enterprize upon Luxemburg; ſo that there is no room to doubt of the fact, which has been confirmed by the endeavours of the Count de B.... and the Marq. de F..... to engage the Allies to attack the Emperor on all ſides. —— Baron Stoſch, who has reſided at Rome for ſeveral years, coming lately out of a Church, was fallen upon by ſome perſons in masks, who charged him to depart this City in a ſhort time upon pain of death. Some will have it, that this muſt be done by perſons belonging to the Chevalier de S. George, upon whom they ſay he is ſuſpected to be a ſpy. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday arrived a Mail from Flanders.

Cadiz, Feb. 13. Our Intendant arrived this morning from Seville, and brings orders to deliver the Flota's cochineal, and other goods, the Proprietors giving ſecurity to pay ſuch Indulto as ſhall be agreed on; but not the money, which is barbarous uſage. *D J.*

This day arrived a Mail from Holland.

Paris, March 2. Two expreſſes are arrived from Seville, one for the Court, and the other for the Marq. de Caſtelhar, but the diſpatches are kept very ſecret: the report goes, that Spain perſiſts in the reſolution to make the Italian expedition out of hand. We are likewiſe further aſſured, that the Court has given neceſſary orders, to get the ſtipulated ſuccours ready for his Catholick Majeſty; yet the general opinion is, that there will be no war, but that the ſeaſon will paſs in negotiations. *L E.*

Parma, Feb. 20. Gen. Stampa had on the 17th his firſt audience of the Dutcheſs-Dowager Regent, to demand the Artillery to be delivered up to him, and that

the Burghers ſhould be diſarm'd: her Serene Highneſs hath ordered the Artillery to be deliver'd accordingly; but with regard to the other demand, ſhe let him know, ſhe muſt take the advice of her Council. *E P.*

Vienna, Feb. 24. 'Tis confidently reported, that the Troops of his Imperial Majeſty in Italy, are to be reunited [recruited] this ſpring with 12000 men, and alſo a ſufficient number of Artillery and warlike ſtores, which were to be ſent away in May next. *S J.*

WEDNESDAY, *March* 3.

Vienna, Feb. 24. They write from Conſtantinople, that the Miniſters of the Emperor, Holland and Venice had had an audience of the new Sultan the 6th paſt, to which they were conducted by a Chiaux, with a great deal of ceremony, there being above 6000 Janizaries under arms; and that his Highneſs had preſented each of thoſe miniſters with 2 Caffetans. *C.*

Rome, Jan. 31. It is certain, that Card. Cienſuegos aſſured the Pope of a marriage concluded betwixt Don Carlos and the Emperor's ſecond daughter, whereby the peace of Italy was ſecured. *P.*

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A Preparation, not only to be had in Eſteem from the great Skill of all Medicinal Compoſition, but alſo from the Choiceneſs of its Ingredients, every one of them contributing, by their particular Virtues, to make it the moſt effectual Medicine in the whole Republick of Phyſick. It daily overcomes the moſt grounded Coughs, tho' of never ſo long ſtanding, and perfectly cures them in a very little Time: 'Tis found to be the moſt ſure Help, and the only Medicine in the World, for old Conſumptions, Phthiſick, Colds, Wheeſing, Aſthmas, Shortneſs of Breath, and all other Diſeaſes of the Breaſt and Lungs, reſtoring thoſe that are left off by Phyſicians, remaining in utter Deſpair under the Burden of their miſerable Lives: It diſſolves congealed Phlegm in the Thorax; takes away the Tickling in the Aſpera Arteria; heals Rawneſs and Soreneſs of the Lungs, Breaſt and Stomach, cauſing eaſy Expectoration; cures vehement Catarrhs, Diſtillation of Rheum, and all Fluxes of Humours falling upon any of the noble Parts: It gives immediate Relief, as ſoon as taken, in the ſevereſt of Coughing, and ſo perfectly frees the Patient at once. This Preparation is much more effectual than any Liquids or Tinctures: A Tincture may give eaſe by its Opiate Nature, but this Electuary, by balſamick and ſubtle Property, effectually performs the Cure.

It is likewiſe an effectual Remedy for Whooping-Coughs in Children.

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